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Art Unit	2183
Examiner Name	Tonia L. Meonske
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

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b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**(37 C.F.R. 1.114)**

Applicants hereby request continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

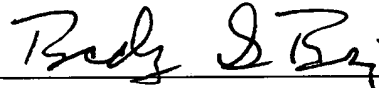
This request is being submitted before (i) the abandonment of this application; (ii) payment of the issue fee; (iii) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; or (iv) the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or 35 U.S.C. § 146.

Included herewith is an information disclosure statement (including Form PTO-1449) and a Preliminary Amendment.

The fee for a continued prosecution application is \$790.00. Checks are enclosed for the payment of the required fee. If the Commissioner deems any additional fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby requested to accept this as a Petition therefore, and is authorized to charge any fees due, including any fees for an extension of time, to Baker Botts L.L.P. (formerly, Baker & Botts, L.L.P.) Deposit Account number 02-0383, Order number 068354.1439.

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